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Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Up 5 Percent From Last Year

On November 1, 2007, Arizona had 360,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 18,000 head from a year ago and up 10,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 39,000 head during October, up 5,000 head from a year ago. During October, 27,000 head were marketed, unchanged from last year.

On November 1, 2007, California had 545,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 15,000 head from last year and up 5,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 67,000 head during October, down 4,000 head from last year. During October, 60,000 head were marketed, down 2,000 head from last year.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.8 million head on November 1, 2007. The inventory was 2 percent below November 1, 2006 but 3 percent above November 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.72 million, 12 percent above 2006 but 3 percent below 2005. Net placements were 2.67 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 855,000, 600-699 pounds were 745,000, 700-799 pounds were 556,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 560,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.88 million, 6 percent above 2006 and 8 percent above 2005.

Other disappearance totaled 47,000 during October, 42 percent below 2006 and 19 percent below 2005.